

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HJR 955

March 29, 2018

SUMMARY OF BILL: Directs the public higher education institutions of Tennessee to refuse any money from the China United States Exchange Foundation (CUSEF). Directs the University of Tennessee, Knoxville (UTK), the University of Memphis (UM), and Middle Tennessee State University (MTSU) to promptly conduct an investigation of the character and background of persons affiliated with the Confucius Institutes operating on their campuses. Directs UTK, UM, and MTSU to report the findings and conclusions of their investigations to the General Assembly within 90 days of the date on which the Governor signs the resolution.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Based on the information collectively provided by the Locally Governed Institutions (LGIs), Tennessee Board of Regents and the University of Tennessee (UT) system, public higher education institutions of Tennessee do not currently receive any money from the CUSEF.
- Any fiscal impact as a result of directing UTK, UM, and MTSU to conduct an investigation and report its findings to the General Assembly is estimated to be not significant.
- Any fiscal impact to state or local government is estimated to be not significant.
- Any increase in state expenditures to transmit copies of the resolution will be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Krista M. Lee".

Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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